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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
OAKLAND DIVISION

LAURIE GIBBS HARRIS,
 Plaintiff,

v.

NORTHWESTERN INVESTMENT
 MANAGEMENT COMPANY, LLC,
 NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL LIFE
 INSURANCE, LLC, and DOES
 1 through 20, inclusive

Defendants.

Case No. CV 10-01763 CW
 e-filing

**STIPULATION AND [PROPOSED]
 ORDER REGARDING SETTLEMENT
 CONFERENCE**

JUDGE: Hon. Claudia Wilken
 DEPT: Courtroom 2, 4th Floor
 Complaint filed: March 19, 2010
 Trial date: October 3, 2011

1 Plaintiff Laurie Gibbs Harris ("Plaintiff") and Defendants Northwestern Investment
 2 Management Company, LLC and Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company ("Defendants"),
 3 the parties to the above-entitled action (collectively, the "Parties), submit this stipulation to the
 4 Court:

5 **STIPULATION**

6 The Parties reached an oral agreement to settle this matter on September 17, 2011;

7 On September 19, 2011, this Court issued a Conditional Order of Dismissal, dismissing
 8 this matter with prejudice, but providing that if the agreed consideration for settlement was not
 9 delivered by December 19, 2011 the Conditional Order of Dismissal would be vacated and the
 10 matter restored to the Court's calendar to be set for trial.

11 On December 19, 2011, Plaintiff certified to the Court that consideration for the
 12 settlement of this matter had not yet been delivered. Plaintiff further notified the Court that the
 13 Parties were at an impasse in their negotiations concerning the issues of allocation and timing of
 14 payment of the settlement funds.

15 On December 21, 2011, this Court issued an Order extending the conditional dismissal
 16 for an additional ninety days and requiring the Parties to return to private mediation for further
 17 settlement discussions by January 20, 2012.

18 The Parties agree that settlement of this matter is best facilitated by a mandatory
 19 settlement conference before a United States Magistrate Judge. The Parties also agree that
 20 Defendants, which are headquartered in Wisconsin, may appear at such a mandatory settlement
 21 conference through their attorneys of record. In such case, a representative with settlement
 22 authority will be available by phone.

23 This matter was previously referred to Magistrate Judge Laurel Beeler for settlement
 24 purposes.

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1 THEREFORE, the Parties, through their respective counsel of record, hereby
2 STIPULATE to request that the Court vacate its prior Order mandating private mediation of this
3 matter and issue an order referring this matter to a settlement conference before Magistrate Judge
4 Laurel Beeler:

5 IT IS SO STIPULATED.

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7 DATE: January 10, 2012

/s/ Carolyn A. Leary

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11 Attorneys for Plaintiff, Laurie Gibbs Harris

12 DATE: January 10, 2012

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17 Northwestern Investment Management Company,
18 LLC and Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance
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PURSUANT TO STIPULATION, IT IS SO ORDERED.

The Court's Order of December 21, 2011 is vacated to the extent that it requires Plaintiff Laurie Gibbs Harris and Defendants Northwestern Investment Management Company, LCC and Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company (the "Parties") to return to private mediation for further settlement discussions.

The Parties are referred to a settlement conference with Magistrate Judge Laurel Beeler at a date to be set by Judge Beeler.

DATE: 1/11/2012


The Honorable Claudia Wilken
United States District Judge

ATTESTATION

Pursuant to General Order 45(X), I attest that concurrence in the filing of this document has been obtained from the other signatory.

Dated: Janaury 10, 2012

By: /s/ Carolyn A. Leary
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